



Yucca Weekly Update

Councilmember Joyce Clark - City of Glendale, Arizona



Yucca District - where Glendale's past, present and future meet.

September 30, 2011

YUCCA DISTRICT MEETING

Save the date:

Thursday, November 17, 2011
Coyote Ridge School
7677 W. Bethany Home Road
6:30 p.m.



Glendale Today. Councilmember Clark was joined by Ray Klemp, owner of the historic Beet Sugar Factory and Brian Friedman, Glendale's economic development director on the latest edition of 'Glendale Today.' Clark and her guests discussed the past, present and future of the factory and took a tour of this iconic Glendale building. If you have ever wondered what the interior looks like, please tune in! 'Glendale Today' begins airing tonight (Sept. 30) at 8 p.m. on Glendale channel 11, or visit www.glendaleaz.com/glendale11 and click on "Online Video Library" to watch anytime.

Columbus Day Holiday. City of Glendale offices will close Monday, October 10 in observance of the Columbus Day holiday. For a full list of closures and service schedule changes, [click here](#).



Glendale's Environmental Efforts Win Prestigious Award. Glendale's Conservation & Sustainable Living Program has been honored by Valley Forward with the Crescordia Award. More than 130 entries were received in Arizona's oldest and most prestigious awards competition focusing exclusively on environmental initiatives. Winners were announced Sept. 17 at Valley Forward's awards gala attended by more than 600 community leaders.

The newly established Glendale office of Conservation and Sustainable Living (CSL) provides programs to educate residents, businesses and neighborhoods about good environmental practices. At the outset, staff focused on acquiring grants, establishing partnerships and building a strong volunteer/intern opportunity to create a successful program. Within its first two years, CSL obtained two federal grants, enabling the city to offer Green Living classes with free incentives, hire a contract energy education specialist to initiate the city's energy conservation programs in schools (patterned after the highly successful water education program) as well as establish a 10,000-square-foot Tree Trail at the Glendale Xeriscape Demonstration Garden.

For more information on Glendale's Conservation & Sustainable Living programs and all the city's environmental efforts, [click here](#).

Household Hazardous Waste Pick-up. Twice a year, the city of Glendale's Sanitation Department offers the free household hazardous waste pick-up. Residents must call by Oct. 21 to request the service. Collections will be scheduled between Oct. 17 and Nov. 4.

The service not only helps residents avoid transporting dangerous products, but helps keep regular garbage collections safer. The improper disposal of household hazardous wastes can cause problems for the entire community.

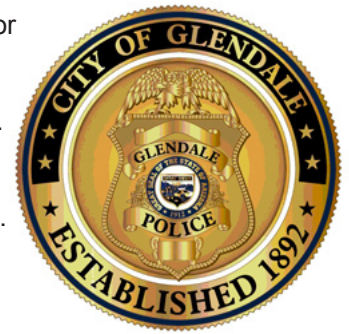
Residents can sign up for a free household hazardous waste pick-up service by contacting the Sanitation Division at 623-930-2660. Registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis for up to 750 households. Hazardous materials that will be accepted include paints and stains, antifreeze and other automotive fluids, pesticides, motor oil and filters, batteries, pool chemicals and household cleaners. Items that are unacceptable are explosives, radioactive materials, tires, drums, ammunition and medical or business wastes. There is a 20-gallon limit on paint, oil, gasoline, antifreeze and other automotive liquids. No single container may be larger than five gallons. All items should be in their original containers and must be clearly marked to identify their contents.

For more information, [click here](#) or call the Sanitation Division at 623-930-2660.

Glendale Police Department Citizen Academy. The Glendale Police Department is accepting applications for the upcoming Citizen Police Academy which starts on January 11, 2012.

The Citizens Academy is a free program designed to offer participants a chance to learn, hands on, about many police operations, such as the use of canines, crime scene investigations, and tactical operations. The curriculum also includes an overview of the police department's administration, police communications and community oriented policing.

Participants must be at least 18 years of age and undergo a background check and fingerprinting process. All fingerprinting and applications must be completed and submitted no later than Friday, November 4, 2011. For more information on this 12-week program, call 623-930-3305 or [click here](#) to download an application.



Press Conference with Arizona Leaders Against Tohono O'odham Reservation on Glendale 11. A recent news conference coordinated by U.S. Congressman Trent Franks and attended by Mayor Elaine Scruggs and other state and local representatives, discussing their opposition to a proposed Indian reservation by the Tohono O'odham Indian Tribe, can now be seen in its entirety on Glendale 11 TV. During the 30-minute TV special, Congressman Franks announces the introduction of the *Gila Bend Indian Reservation Lands Replacement Clarification Act* which would prohibit Las Vegas style gaming (Class II and III) on any replacement lands located in Maricopa, Pinal and Pima counties, which were taken into trust by the Department of the Interior. The press conference can be seen at various times throughout the day. For a viewer's guide or to watch the conference online, visit www.glendaleaz.com/Glendale11.

Loop 101 Closures and Restrictions

- Loop 101 will be narrowed to two lanes in both directions between Bell and Bethany Home roads from 10 p.m. Friday to 9 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 2 for rubberized asphalt paving.
- Loop 101 will be narrowed to one lane in both directions at Maryland Avenue from 9 p.m. Saturday to 5 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 2 for sign installation.
- Northbound Loop 101 will be narrowed to one lane at Maryland Avenue from 9 p.m. Sunday to 5 a.m. Monday, Oct. 3 for sign installation. This will require closing the Bethany Home Road on-ramp. DETOUR: Use Camelback Road for access to Loop 101.

A full listing of restrictions and detours, as well as additional information on this project, can be found at www.valleyfreeways.com/aquafriaclosures.

Around Town

Artwerks First Saturdays – Oct. 1. Historic Downtown Glendale will turn into a living masterpiece on Saturday, Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., as First Saturdays happens just east of Murphy Park. [Learn more](#)

Open Air Market. The marketplace, which features antiques, collectibles, art treasures, crafts and food, will kick off 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, October 1. The market will be held at the corner of 57th Drive and Glendale Avenue in the parking lot of A Mad Hatter's Antiques, located at 5734 W. Glendale Ave. The Open Air Market will continue on the first Saturday of each month through May. For more information and to learn about becoming a market vendor, call 623-931-1991.

Shred It and Forget It. The Glendale Police Department is teaming up with the Target Corporation Saturday, October 1, 2011 for the city's "Shred It and Forget It" event. This is a free "drive-thru" event designed to promote public awareness about identity theft and fraud prevention. Community members are invited to bring their unwanted personal documents to be shredded securely on site. Law Enforcement staff will be on hand to assist residents shred up to five (5) boxes (banker-size) of personal documents per household at no charge. The event will run from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Target Store located at 10404 North 43rd Avenue. Event participation is on a first come, first served basis. For more information call (623) 930-4030.

29th Annual Fire Prevention Day & Parade. Join us for this exciting Glendale tradition on Saturday, Oct. 8. The parade starts at 9 a.m., at 52nd and Glendale avenues and ends at Murphy Park. Parade goers will enjoy fire vehicles, marching bands, clowns, scouts and much more! Food vendors, hands-only CPR demonstrations, safety information booths and activities for the entire family will be located in Murphy Park until 1 p.m. Join in on the fun! [Click here](#) for more information.

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